

National Ocean Service
Working for America's Coasts



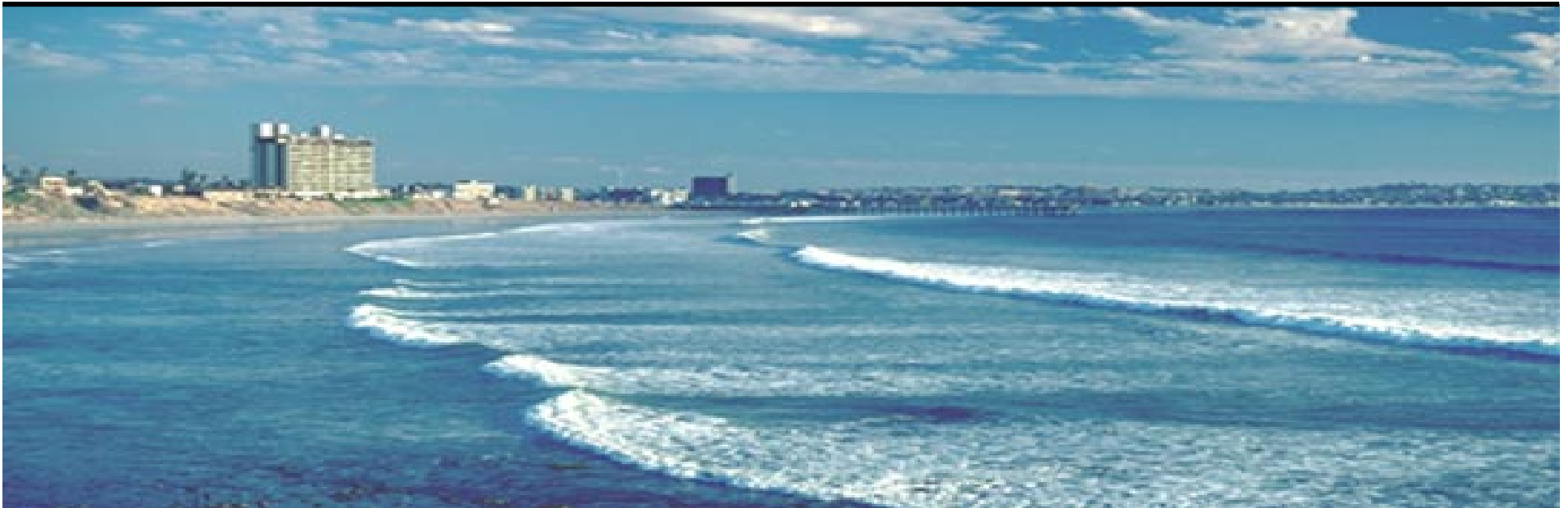
First Quarter Review

February 23, 1999

NOS Action Item

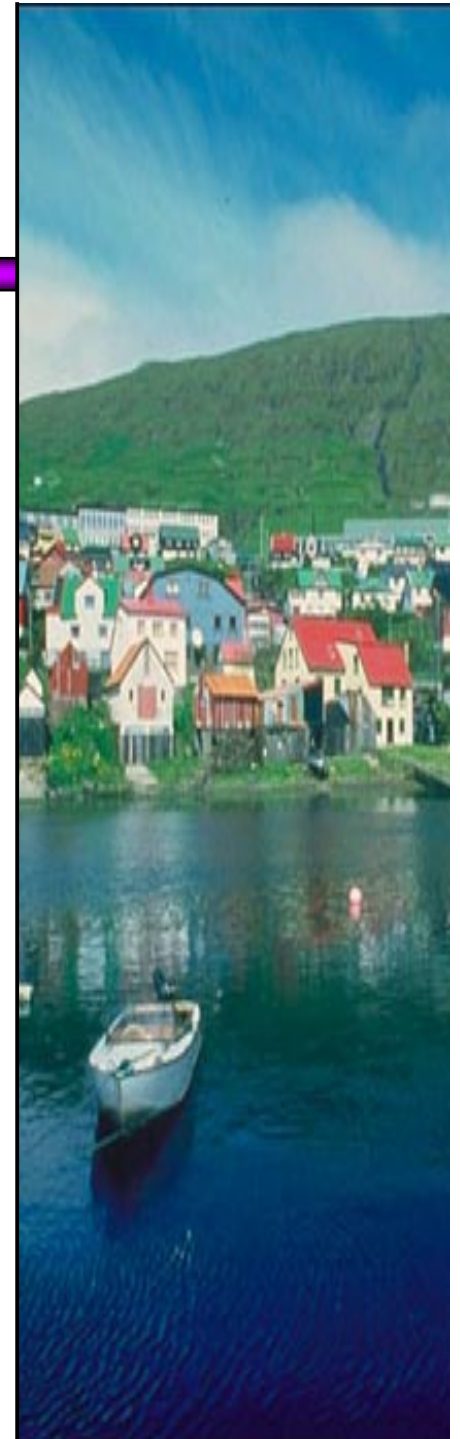
➞ **Action Items:**

↪ **None to report**



NOS 1st Quarter Milestones Overview

- ⇒ **Completed (1)**
- ⇒ **Behind Schedule (1)**
- ⇒ **On Going (32)**
- ⇒ **Event Driven (18)**



Promote Safe Navigation

1st Quarter Accomplishments

(PM): *Reduce Critical Survey Area Backlog by 1,800 square nautical miles (snm) out of 43,000 snm.*

⇒ **Completed the Long-Term
Hydrographic Data
Acquisition Plan**

Promote Safe Navigation

1st Quarter Accomplishments

(PM): Number of geodetic control and/or navigation products provided through partnership with other Federal, state, local and private entities.

➔ **Delivered positioning data to FAA for the 50 first-ever U.S. precision GPS airport approaches**

➔ **Awarded contracts for 22 airport surveys in New England**

Promote Safe Navigation

1st Quarter Accomplishments

(PM): Number of geodetic control and/or navigation products provided through partnership with other Federal, state, local and private entities.

➔ **Completed 35 airport obstruction surveys and expect to complete 150 of the planned 172 surveys - despite funding cut**

Promote Safe Navigation

1st Quarter Milestones

Milestone Not Met:

(PM): *Reduce Critical Survey Area Backlog by 1,800 square nautical miles (snm) out of 43,000 snm.*

➔ **Award of new 2-year hydrographic surveying contract in California delayed - expect award in the 3rd quarter.**

Sustain Healthy Coasts

1st Quarter Accomplishments

(PM): Number of CZM programs, NERRS sites, and NMS sites with management and monitoring capabilities upgraded to protect and restore coastal habitat. (29 CZM programs, 22 NERRS sites)

➔ Completed draft CZMA Reauthorization bill

➔ hearing this week

➔ Drafting NMS Reauthorization bill

➔ redrafting based on comments

Sustain Healthy Coasts

1st Quarter Accomplishments

(PM): *Percentage of NMS sites that have significantly upgraded management capabilities*
(total of 13, 8% for FY 99).

➔ Sustainable Seas Expeditions

- Finalizing NOAA ship time for first round of expeditions
- Established format for mission planning
- Will offer real-time data and mission logs on website with National Geographic Society

Sustain Healthy Coasts

1st Quarter Accomplishments

(PM): Number of National Marine Sanctuary (NMS) and National Estuarine Research Reserve (NERR) systems completed and maintained at acceptable levels to protect special marine and estuarine ecosystems (22 NERRs sites)

- ➔ **Dedicated Kachemak Bay NERR**
- ➔ **Updated NERRs Facilities Plan**
- ➔ **Completed Demographic Profile of NERRs Visitors**

Sustain Healthy Coasts

1st Quarter Accomplishments

(PM): *Percent of Nation's 40 key coastal ecosystems with reduced risks of habitat loss from releases of oil and hazardous chemicals due to response planning, mitigation, modeling, monitoring, and assessments. (5% for FY 99)*

➡ Oil/ Chemical Spill Response & Assessment

- ➡ Consulted/responded on 28 incidents - including South Pass, LA pipeline spill of 155,000 gallons
- ➡ Created innovative “job aids” for responders such as the *Dispersant Application Job Aid & Chemical Reactivity Worksheet*

Sustain Healthy Coasts

1st Quarter Accomplishments

(PM): Number of environmental techniques and tools developed that enhance monitoring, assessment, management and restoration of coastal habitats (12 for FY 99)

- ➔ **Making continued progress on the Clean Water Action Plan**
- ➔ **Continued National Dialogues on Coastal Stewardship**
- ➔ **Updated the State of the Coast report**

Sustain Healthy Coasts

1st Quarter Accomplishments

(PM): Number of environmental techniques and tools developed that enhance monitoring, assessment, management and restoration of coastal habitats (12 for FY 99)

- ➔ **Began Socioeconomic Monitoring for the Florida Keys NMS**
- ➔ **Made progress on the National Environmental Report Card**

Sustain Healthy Coasts

1st Quarter Accomplishments

(PM): *Number of U.S. coastal regions with systems to predict and reduce impacts of harmful algal blooms (total of 6, 0 in FY 99).*

➔ Hosted *Pfiesteria* Monitoring Workshop

- standardized *Pfiesteria* monitoring protocols
- planned an integrated database to support regional and national assessments

Sustain Healthy Coasts

1st Quarter Accomplishments

(PM): Number of activities conducted to provide a technically trained work force and environmentally informed citizenry (8 in FY 99).

- ➡ **Supported the Coastal Hazards Symposium**
- ➡ **Designed K-12 Marine Science Education Workshop**

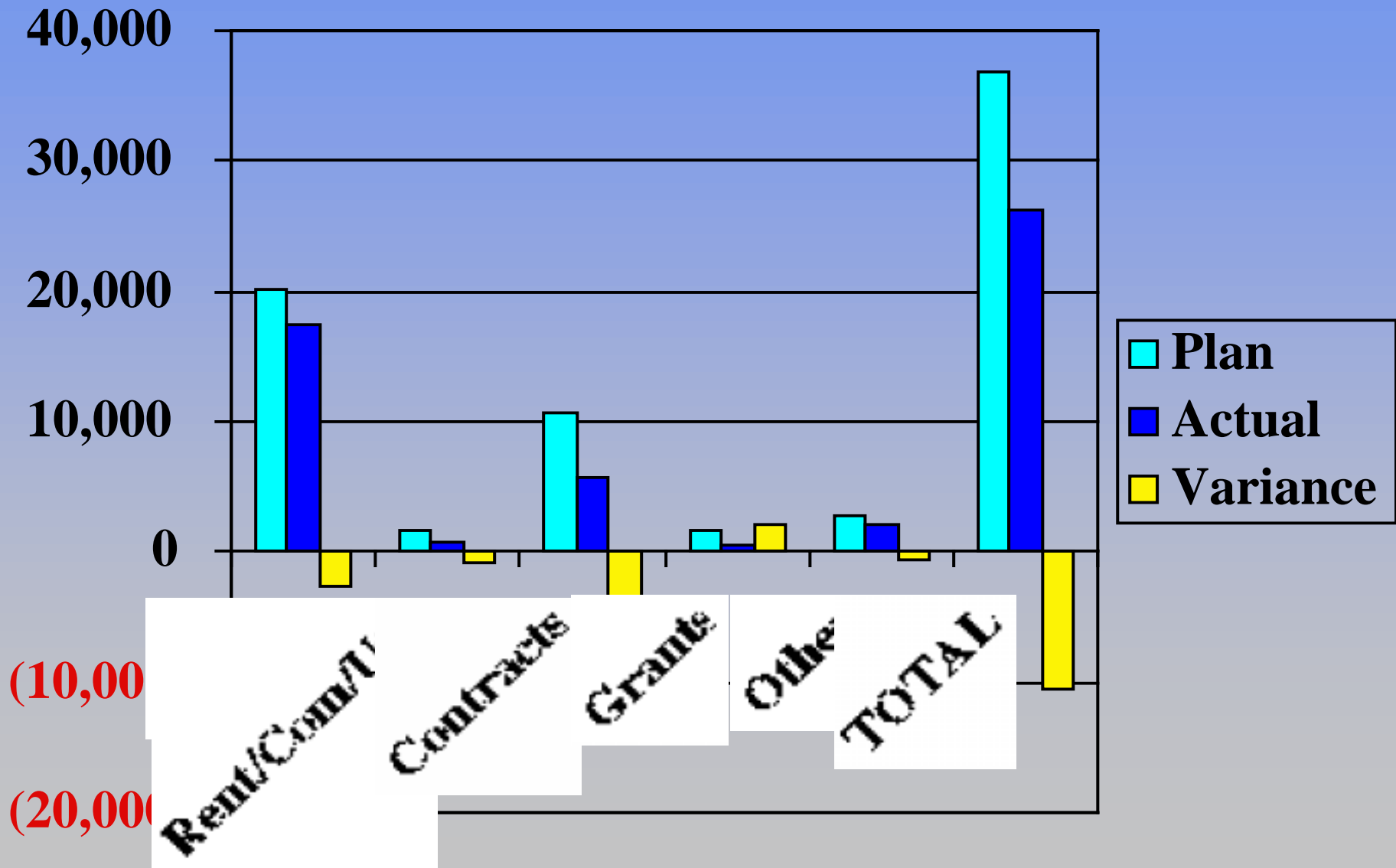
Build Sustainable Fisheries

1st Quarter Accomplishments

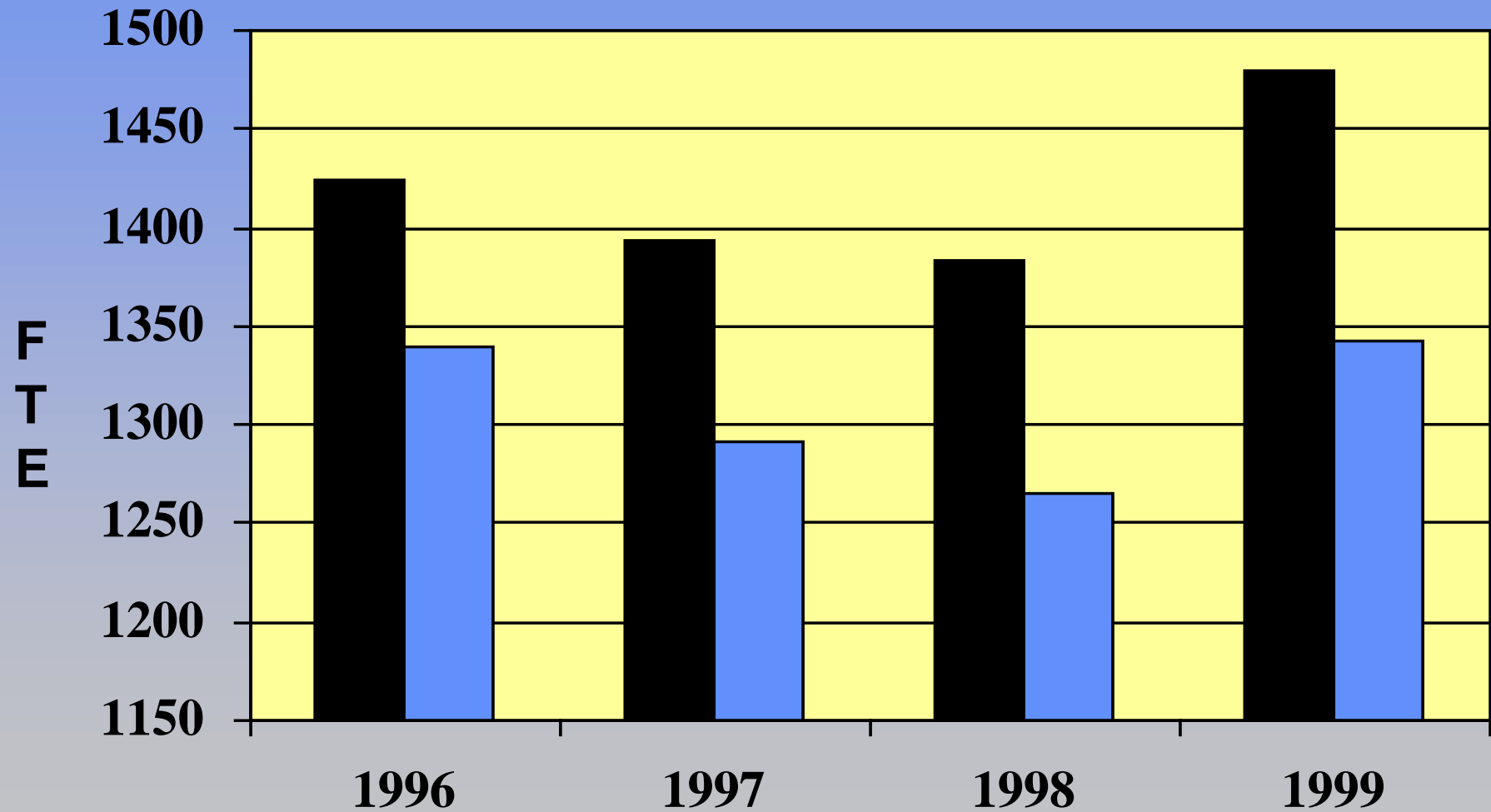
(PM): By 2004, 50% (86 of 269) fewer overfished fisheries (stocks subject to overfishing).

➡ **Completed GLOBEC cruises --
investigations of Gulf of Maine
ecosystems**

NOS Resources: Budget



NOS Resources: FTE



NOS Resources: Infrastructure

➔ Progress on Year 2000 Computer Compliance

- All Mission Critical Systems are Y2K compliant (except old chart distribution system)
- 30% have already passed IV&V - the rest to be completed by March 31
- Completed Business Continuity & Contingency Plan

➔ Completed the Critical Infrastructure Vulnerability Assessment

- NOS requirements have been met by the NOAA-wide plan - NOS has no systems requiring attention

NOS:Diversity

➔ **Established and now implementing an NOS-wide Rotational Assignment Program to enhance employee's personal and professional growth**

NOS:Affirmative Action

⇒ Provided refresher training for more than 100 NOS supervisors and managers on Sexual Harassment and EEO

NOS: Management Challenges, Issues, Problems

- ⇒ Aeronautical Charting transfer
- ⇒ Approval of Minnesota CZM Program
- ⇒ Congressional Reports - in clearance
 - ⇒ CZMA - Biennial Report to Congress
 - ⇒ Hydrographic Data Acquisition
 - ⇒ Shoreline Mapping Status Report
 - ⇒ Height Modernization Report

NOS Reorganization- effective Feb. 28

National Ocean Service Proposed Program Office/Division Organization Chart

